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Via ECFS Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1

Dear FCC,

I am 68years old and self employed. I have NEVER had phone or internet service as fast, flawless, and inexpensive as I have had the past four years with Sonic, a small local provider. When I need help, I phone them, and a friendly, personable,

and tech-savvy person picks up the phone on the other end - no waiting, no menus, no music: imagine that! - and has never failed to take care of my problem. PLEASE, do not do anything which might stifle the competition these 'little guys' provide the likes of ATT, Version, etc., or increase the cost of phone and broadband services.

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